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The Honorable Phillip Muller
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Republic of the Marshall Islands
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Dear Minister Muller:

In recent discussions with Ambassador Banny de Brum following my meeting with you on September 26, 1996, we think we have identified a timeframe convenient to both our schedules that would be suitable for holding the planned Working Group meetings in Majuro. I would like to formally recommend that these meetings be held in Majuro from Tuesday, January 7, 1997, through Friday, January 10, 1997. Ambassador de Brum indicates that this is during the period when the Nitijela is in session. With all the Senators and Mayors already in Majuro, it seems this would be an optimal time to ensure broad participation at these sessions.

We would like to confirm these dates as early as possible so that your Washington Embassy and our staff can begin to confirm the attendance of all other invitees and attendees. We look forward to this opportunity to continue the important progress that was initiated by our signing of the Joint Communiqué on May 15, 1996, and look forward to your endorsement of these meeting dates at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

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cc: Ambassador Banny de Brum, Embassy of
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